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Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 3495068-10

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In re Application of: )  
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Luc MONTAGNIER et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1648  
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Application No.: 09/739,289 ) Examiner: Jeffrey S. Parkin  
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Filed: December 19, 2000 )  
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For: IMMUNOLOGICAL REAGENTS )  
AND DIAGNOSTIC METHODS )  
FOR THE DETECTION OF )  
HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY )  
VIRUS TYPE 2 UTILIZING )  
MULTIMERIC FORMS OF THE )  
ENVELOPE PROTEINS GP300, )  
P200, AND P90/80 )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of July 25, 2004. The items checked below are appropriate:

- ☒ Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$950.00 for the Extension is enclosed.

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	17	-	20	0	x \$ 18	\$ 0.00
Indep.	2	-	3	0	x \$ 86	0.00
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Subtotal						\$ 0.00
Reduction by ½ if small entity						- 0.00
TOTAL						\$ 0.00

- ☐ A fee of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- ☒ A fee of \$950.00 to cover Three-Month Extension of Time is enclosed.

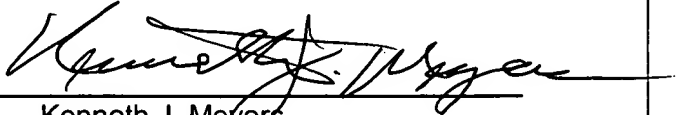
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- ☒ A fee of \$180.00 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
- ☒ A check for \$1,130.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: January 15, 2004

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